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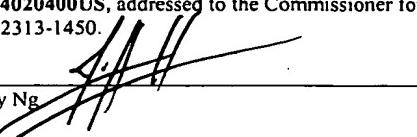
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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (37 CFR. § 1.55)
(Regular application claiming priority of a foreign application)

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Sir: This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 CFR. § 1.55 in the name of inventors:
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For: **INVERTER**

Priority of prior Japan Application No. 2003-032166 filed on February 10, 2003 and Japan Application No. 2004-027148 filed on February 3, 2004 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 1.55.

Application Elements:

- 20 Pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract
- 9 Sheets of informal Drawings
- Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
- Separate Declaration

Accompanying Application Parts:

- Do not publish this application. Nonpublication Request is attached.
- Assignment and Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet (recording fee of \$40.00 enclosed)
- Separate Power of Attorney by Assignee
- 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement by Assignee
- Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449
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Claim For Foreign Priority

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Fee Calculation (37 CFR § 1.16)

Applicant is entitled to Small Entity Status under 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

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